

he returned home, he began helping at his mother's quiet neighborhood bar, playing music with friends. That was the beginning of a show business career spanning more than four decades including hit records, motion pictures, television, and sold out performances world-wide.

Hawaii was still a young State when Don Ho became an international star, and in many ways he helped put Hawaii on the map. In my travels around the world, people always ask me about Don Ho. Don was a big star wherever he went. He even played in Washington, DC, when I was in the House. And I can tell you, it was a big show.

Despite his stature as an entertainment icon, Don was never too busy to spend a few minutes with his fans; young honeymooners, servicemen and women stationed in the islands, or senior citizens on a dream vacation. He had tremendous charisma and talent and because of that he touched many people. Hawaii has lost a beloved son and he will be sorely missed.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:15 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1429. An act to reauthorize the Head Start Act, to improve program quality, to expand access, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1592. An act to provide Federal assistance to States, local jurisdictions, and Indian tribes to prosecute hate crimes, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1867. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2008, 2009, and 2010 for the National Science Foundation, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1868. An act to authorize appropriations for the National Institute of Standards and Technology for fiscal years 2008, 2009, and 2010, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1592. An act to provide Federal assistance to States, local jurisdictions, and Indian tribes to prosecute hate crimes, and for

other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 1868. An act to authorize appropriations for the National Institute of Standards and Technology for fiscal years 2008, 2009, and 2010, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 1429. An act to reauthorize the Head Start Act, to improve program quality, to expand access, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1867. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2008, 2009, and 2010 for the National Science Foundation, and for other purposes.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 1312. A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to ensure the right of employees to a secret-ballot election conducted by the National Labor Relations Board.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-1742. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Uniform Compliance Date for Food Labeling Regulations" (RIN0583-AD05) received on May 2, 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1743. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act by the Department of the Army, case number 04-12; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-1744. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act by the Department of the Army, case number 06-01; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-1745. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a review of the Guided Multiple Launch Rocket System program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1746. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the Department's Chemical and Biological Defense Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1747. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Secretary's plan for improving recruitment, placement, and retention within the Department of individuals who receive scholarships and fellowships; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1748. A communication from the Director of Defense Research and Engineering, transmitting, a report relative to the management and adequacy of biometrics programs; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1749. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the funds expended during fiscal year 2006 and the funds that are expected to be expended during fiscal years 2007 and 2008; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1750. A communication from the Principal Deputy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the effects of Aviation Continuation Pay on retention of qualified aviators during fiscal year 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1751. A communication from the Secretary of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a critical breach in Average Procurement Unit Cost for the Joint Air-to-Surface Standoff Missile; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1752. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency relative to Syria that was declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1753. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, the report of a draft bill intended to "revise and extend the Export Administration Act of 1979, amended"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1754. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Annual Management Measures for the 2007 Pacific Halibut Fisheries and Changes to the Catch Sharing Plan for Area 2A" (RIN0648-AV03) received on May 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1755. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Herring Fishery; 2007-2009 Specifications" (RIN0648-AT66) received on May 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1756. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Closure of the Hook-and-Line Commercial Fishery for Gulf Group King Mackerel in the Southern Florida West Coast Subzone" (Docket No. 001005281-0369-02) received on May 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1757. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (ID No. 040607A) received on May 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1758. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (ID No. 040607B) received on May 2, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1759. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off